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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<i>JUN 16 2006</i>	<i>PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</i>	<i>Application Number</i>	09/543,330
		<i>Filing Date</i>	April 5, 2000
		<i>First Named Inventor</i>	JULIE RAE KOWALD
		<i>Group Art Unit</i>	2621
		<i>Examiner Name</i>	Christopher O. Onuaku
		<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	00169.001658

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. Previously submitted

- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

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| i. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply | 06/19/2006 | NHGUEN1 | 00000041 | 09543330 |
| ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) | 01 FC:1801 | | | 790.00 OP |
| iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) | 02 FC:1252 | | | 450.00 OP |
| iv. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Preliminary Amendment | | | | |

2. Miscellaneous

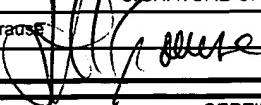
- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of three months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other Applicants hereby petition to extend the time for taking action for two months, from April 11, 2006 to June 11, 2006.

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

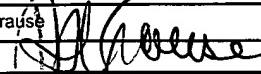
- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other Suspension fee
- b. Checks in the amounts of \$ 790.00 and \$450.00 are enclosed
- c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	John A. Krause	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	24,613
Signature		Date	June 12, 2006

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

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In re Application of:

JULIE RAE KOWALD

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Examiner: Christopher O. Onuaku

TC/Art Unit: 2621

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Final Action in the above-identified application.

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	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 67	MINUS	** 87	= 0	x \$25 \$50	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 6	MINUS	*** 6	= 0	x \$100 \$200	\$0
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180/\$360						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0

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- A check in the amount of \$__ is enclosed.
- Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$ 450.00 to cover the fee for a two -month extension is enclosed.
- A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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